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1. SWISS REACTION REFTEL A AS FOLLOWS:

A) THEY WELCOME FACT THAT WE CONSULTED AND GAVE THEM OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT. THEY CONSIDER IT WORTHWILE STEP TOWARDS TRYING TO REACH COMMON LINE AMONG INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES AS GUIDE FOR NATL PAPERS. IN PASSING WE WERE ASKED WHETHER, WHEN TIME PERMITS, IT WOULD NOT BE SOMEWHAT MORE EFFICIENT TO LET OECD SECRETARIAT DRAFT THESE SORTS OF PAPERS WHICH MEMBER COUNTRIES COULD THEN LOOK AT AND WHICH MIGHT FORM A COMMON BASIS FOR DISCUSSION.

B) IT IS THEIR UNDERSTANDING FROM DISCUSSIONS
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WITH DJEZAIRI THAT WHAT HE HAS IN MIND IS A RAPID DRAFTING SESSION LEADING TO BRIEF CONCLUSIONS ON AGENDA ITEM 1 AT THE MAY MEETING WHICH WOULD COVER 3 ITEMS: A DIAGNOSIS OR DESCRIPTION OF WORLD ECONOMIC SITUATION, THE INTERDEPENDENCE OF PROBLEMS THIS SYSTEM FACES, AND INTERDEPENDENCE OF COUNTRIES AS THEY ATTEMPT TO DEAL WITH THOSE IROBLEMS. IN THIS REGARD, SWISS

THOUGHT THAT PERHAPS A SHORT, SNAPPY PAPER WOULD COME CLOSER TO WHAT DJEZAIRI HAS IN MIND BUT THEY RECOGNIZE THAT THERE IS NO NECESSITY FOR US TO ACEDE TO THIS DESIRE.

C) AS FOR OUTLINE ITSELF, SWISS READ I AND III AS HAVING A GLOBAL COVERAGE WHEREAS II DOES NOT. THEY WONDERED WHETHER II SHOULD ALSO INCLUDE LONG-TERM ELEMENTS. THEY WONDER WHERE PROBLEM OF DISTRIBUTION OF RESOURCES WILL BE DISCUSSED. THEY NOTE THAT THERE IS NOTHING ON MONETARY PROBLEMS BUT FULLY RECOGNIZE REASONS FOR THIS. THEY QUESTIONED LINKAGE OF UNEMPLOYMENT AND PROTECTIONISM ON GROUNDS THAT PROTECTIONISM IS MUCH WIDER PROBLEM. THEY AGREE WITH FORMULATION ON ENERGY BUT WONDER WHETHER IT WOULD NOT FIT BETTER UNDER I SINCE IT IS A LONG-TERM STRUCTURAL PROBLEM.

D) WITH REGARD TO QUESTION OF TRANSFER OF RESOURCES, THEY SHARE OUR VIEW THAT IT IS USEFUL TO HAVE IDEAS FOR DISCUSSION AMONGST OUTSELVES AND THEY FULLY AGREE THAT THESE IDEAS SHOULD NOT BE SUBMITTED TO SECRETARIAT. THEY ALSO AGREE THAT THIS ISSUE SHOULD BE EXAMINED IN BROADEST POSSIBLE FRAMEWORK.

2. SWISS DO NOT INTEND TO SUBMIT PAPER BY DEADLINE. THEY UNDERSTAND THAT DJEZAIRI WILL ARRIVE NEW YORK MAR 20 FOR A BUREAU MEETING MAR 21 AND FEEL, THEREFORE, CONFIDENTIAL

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THEY HAVE A BIT MORE TIME. THEY ARE NOT EVEN SURE THAT THEY WILL SUBMIT A PAPER, BUT IF THEY DO, IT WILL BE A PAPER WHICH COMBINES AGENDA ITEM I WITH QUESTION OF TRANSFERS OF RESOURCES PLACED IN GLOBAL CONTEXT.
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